

### The Farm News Department

Special Page Devoted to the Farming Interests of Crawford County, Wherein the News of the Farmer and Stock Raiser is Chronicled From Week to Week.

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The wheat crop situation in south-eastern Crawford is very serious, and the chances for a crop are very remote. The rainy weather followed by three or four days of extremely hot weather, is said to be the cause for the damage. In addition to the so-called sun scald or cooking of the wheat during the milk stage of the kernels there has been considerable damage done by insects and fungus diseases. Several fields have been found wherein the joint worm has done its damage. An egg was laid in the top joint and the little worm which hatched from the same out of the inside stem of the wheat. This caused a blight. There is also some trouble being caused by the Hessian fly. Many farmers say they will not get enough wheat to pay them for the seed used in the spring, while others are going to mow the crop and get a little feed in this way.

Wm. Swiesow, who lives on the August Nehls farm about 4 1/2 miles northwest of Manilla, has 32 head of very fine Chester White hogs this season, and they seem to be doing well. He is also running 14 head of cattle. He has lived on the Nehls farm for about 20 years, renting it from Mr. Nehls for a low rental, and all because he knows how to farm and is taking excellent care of the place. This year he has in 90 acres of corn, 40 acres of oats and 4 acres of wheat.

Ben Bidlack and oldest son, Harold, are working the farm in section 2, Nishabotny township, and they have some very fine looking crops. They have been on this place some 20 years, and a couple of years ago Mr. Bidlack built a new house for his son, Harold. The house is only a short distance from the father's house, and is 18x26 with a wing on the east. The house is full two stories, and is a very comfortable home. Harold married a daughter of Wm. Thompson, and she is a very helpful companion. The Bidlacks have 90 head of pigs and 14 brood sows. These sows are of the Duroc breed and crossed with a Poland China, the foundation stock being purchased from J. H. Healy and Art Barrow. The herd was a very healthy lot of hogs. Mrs. Harold Bidlack keeps about 300 chickens, and has the care of considerable milk.

Das Scanlon, who formerly lived near Vall, now occupies the farm known as the Homer Baker place, four miles northwest of Manilla. He purchased the place for \$210 per acre, and of course could double his money now if he cared to sell. He has a very fine 160 acres, and it is well improved. When he purchased the place the buildings were all in good shape and the only addition he has had to make was a chicken house. Mrs. Scanlon likes chickens and enjoys the work of caring for them, and this season has 200 Rhode Island Reds. Mr. Scanlon is a stockman, and has 45 head of feeders now running on grass and they will be ready for the fall market. He also has 26 head of hogs that are ready for the market right now. Quite recently he sold 50 head that averaged around 260 pounds and received a little better than \$19 per hundred for them. This year he has in crop 40 acres of corn, 30 acres of wheat, 16 acres of oats and 15 acres of barley. The wheat crop, up until a week ago, gave every promise of being a bumper crop, but the hot weather of last week has injured it very much. The Scanlons have lived on their present farm for two years. They have three boys and one girl, and the boys will soon be large enough to handle teams, then Mr. Scanlon will not worry over the help problem.

One of the newer families to move to Crawford county and purchase a farm was found to be Mr. and Mrs. Kate Webster, formerly of Shelby county, down near Defiance. About a year ago Mrs. Webster purchased the 200-acre farm of Ernest Nissen, 2 1/2 miles east of Manilla, and this year the father and son, Walter, are working the place. The Websters have a most desirable farm, well improved with substantial house, large horse and cattle barn, hog house, tool house and granary, with cement foundation and elevator, well lighted and ventilated hog house, chicken house and a number of smaller buildings. The buildings are surrounded with a fine grove. Mrs. Webster is raising the milk from six cows, and up until the extremely hot weather was getting a five-gallon can of cream per week. Mr. Webster has 70 head of spring pigs, and 31 head of fatening hogs. All are of the Duroc Jersey breed. He had just stored away 35 loads of fine hay, the crop from 10 acres. In crop he is raising corn, barley and oats. The family like the new home very much, and like many of the owners of good farms in that neighborhood refuse to set a price on the land. They expected to spend the 4th down at Defiance, visiting among old neighbors.

Peter Carstens, of section 19, Iowa township, is adding quite a large addition to his already commodious house, and on Thursday, when we called the plumbers were installing a new bath tub, stationary bowls, toilet and the like. The addition is 16x22, and aside from the bath and toilet rooms, a large kitchen is provided. The Carstens home is one of the best kept homes along the Manning road. Mrs. Carstens is a daughter of George Penner, one of the earlier settlers of Iowa, and she was brought up as a housekeeper. Her home is always ready for company, and the larder is always stocked with provisions, and no matter what hour of the day the hungry wayfarer stops at this place, he is assured of something substantial to eat. The home is well furnished with sub-

stantial furnishings, beautiful rugs and many valuable pictures adorn the walls. The woodwork is hard pine, well oiled, and kept polished. Twelve rooms are lighted with gas, and heated with furnace heat. A full basement under the house has room for the heating plant, a vegetable room, fuel room and power washing machine. Mrs. Carstens raised 500 chickens this spring, 22 ducks and has nine African geese and 12 young ones. During the laying season she sold as high as 60 dozen of eggs a week, and the cream from eight cows netted her around \$90 per month, besides furnishing all the milk, cream and butter for family use. Mr. Carstens has 47 head of Hereford cattle, many hogs, and contemplates putting in a load or so of feeders in the near future. He is well equipped for feeding, having large yards and a number of fine buildings for housing the stock. This year he has in 80 acres of corn, 15 acres of fall wheat, 30 acres of oats.

Many of our readers will remember the bad storm that passed through southern Iowa township about six years ago. The home of Herman Nagel was right in the path of this storm, and every building on his place was destroyed, and Mr. Nagel miraculously escaped with his life. He was in the barn at the time of the storm, and he was carried for some distance in the wake of the tornado, and escaped with only a few scratches. Mrs. Nagel and the daughter were visiting at a neighbor's at the time, and were not injured. The storm took place about 6:30 in the evening and was a very destructive one. Since that time Mr. Nagel has erected all new buildings on the place, and now has a very highly improved farm. The house is 28x20, story and one-half high, and has a wing built to the west. Modern in all respects, except a light plant, has bath, furnace, full basement and interior well done in oil, and well kept throughout, the home is a model one and Mrs. Nagel and her daughter enjoy keeping it in ship shape. Mr. Nagel has provided for all his stock in that he built a very substantial barn, with room for horses and milk cows, hay above, hog house, double corn crib with elevator, large machine house, garage, chicken house and other buildings. He has 25 head of mixed cattle, 75 head of red hogs, and recently sold 14 head that averaged 240 pounds, for which he received \$19.25 per hundred. He has in quite an acreage of corn this year and about the average amount of small grain. The Nagels are expecting company this week, when Mr. and Mrs. John LaPrante, of Bloomfield, Neb., will visit them.

"The house never paid for a barn but the barn has paid for many a fine home," is a statement one often hears. And the statement may be literally true, but it can be said of a well equipped home that it laid the foundation for the life and character of those who came under its benign influence and set their faces toward the rising sun. Well provided buildings and barns are a necessity for the keeping and raising of good stock, but home life and home influences and home attractions are too sacred to be placed on the same scale with the beast that perisheth. The new home of Mr. and Mrs. August Voss, 4 1/4 miles west of Manning, has a pinwall is provided for both man and beast. Mr. Voss only moved to the place last March, and all of the buildings were new when he purchased the farm. They are of course in the best of repair, and so arranged as to be very convenient and located with a view to saving many steps. The house has a very commanding position, facing to the south, and can be seen for some distance. It is thoroughly modern in architecture, pebble dash exterior, with nice wide comfortable porches, and well finished inside. The walls are of hard plaster, and the woodwork hard oiled and polished. There are seven good sized rooms, and a basement is under the entire house. It has furnace heat, and many of the conveniences enjoyed by townships. All the other buildings are in keeping with the house, all well painted and rodded. At large horse and cattle barn, hog house, tool house and garage, cattle yards with good fences make up the outbuildings. The farm comprises 120 acres, and is a nice laying farm. Mr. Voss recently shipped a load of hogs to Chicago, and they averaged around 267 pounds and he received \$21.30 for them. Mrs. Voss has 155 chickens of mixed breeding, and they are milking four cows. Miss Verna, the eldest daughter, has been teaching at Onawa the past year and Miss Grace has been attending Cornell college. Miss Hattie Voss has been attending the Capital City Commercial college at Des Moines. She is a sister of Mr. Voss, and has made her home with the family for some time. Dewey has been a great help to his father and is assisting with the farm work this season. The young ladies of the Voss home have been enjoying a visit from the Misses Alma Kidder, of Epworth, and Gene Berger, of Omaha, during the past week. The Voss' formerly lived at West Side, at which place Mr. Voss was engaged in the stock buying business. The family have many friends over the county, and they entertain a great deal of company at all times.

Adolph Schoenjahn, living on the Lincoln highway, about three and a quarter miles east of Vall, has a number of workmen busy reshingling his large barn. There are many improvements being made over the county and it is almost impossible to recite all of them.

Many people blame God for allowing mosquitoes and flies in the world, and then they permit insect breeding spots to remain untouched.

# EASTERN NEBRASKA FARMS

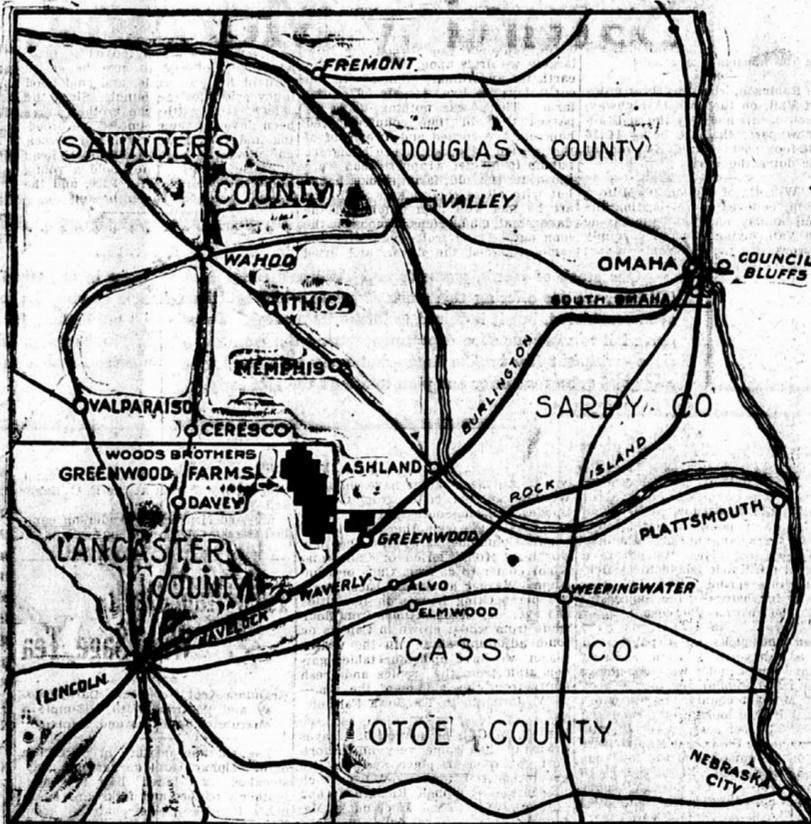
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- FARM NO. 1** Southwest 1/4, Section 2, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres. Six-room house, barn and cattle shed combined, granary, cave, outside fences all around. Price \$235.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 2** Fitzgerald home place. East 1/4 of East 1/4 of Section 10 and West 1/4 of Section 11, Township 12, Range 8, 480 acres. Ten-room brick stucco house with basement and cistern. Cattle barn 40 x 80 with silo 14 x 32, six-foot pit; horse barn 32 x 100 with ten box stalls; cattle barn 32 x 116 with cement floor, silo 18 x 32, four-foot pit; supply tank 12 x 12, corn crib 12 x 80; fenced outside and cross fenced; corrals and feed yards. All under cultivation except sixty acres of pasture that can be cultivated to good advantage. This is ideally improved for a purebred stock farm. Priced \$275.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 3** Northeast 1/4, Section 11, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; no buildings; all under cultivation; fenced and cross-fenced; school house on southeast corner; price \$215.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 4** Southeast 1/4, Section 11, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; no buildings; all under cultivation; fenced and cross-fenced; price \$215.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 5** Southwest 1/4, Section 12, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; fine new six-room house, furnace; barn for eight horses; good granary; corn crib, hog shed; fenced outside; 185 acres under cultivation; twenty-five acres pasture; price \$250.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 6** Northwest 1/4 and West 1/4 Southwest 1/4 Section 14, Township 12, Range 8, 240 acres; six-room house, barn for eight horses, granary, corn crib, hog houses, cave; all under cultivation; price \$235.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 7** Northeast 1/4, Section 14, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; fine, new six-room house; barn, sheds, two corn cribs; all fenced outside; all under cultivation; price \$250.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 8** Northwest 1/4, Section 13, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres, small four-room house, barn, sheds and corn crib; all under cultivation except twenty-five acres pasture that can be profitably farmed; price \$220.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 9** Southeast 1/4, Section 14, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; fine, new six-room house; barn for eight horses, sheds and corn crib; fenced outside; all under cultivation except fifteen acres in pasture which can be profitably farmed; price \$240.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 12** Northwest 1/4, Section 24, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; five-room house, granary, barn and corn crib; all fenced outside; all under cultivation except twenty-four acres of pasture which can be profitably farmed; price \$240.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 13** Northeast 1/4, Section 24, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; no buildings, fenced and cross-fenced; ninety acres cultivated; seventy acres in pasture most of which can be profitably farmed; price \$225.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 17** Northwest 1/4, Section 25, Township 12, Range 8, 160 acres; fine, new six-room house, barn, corn crib, fenced outside; all under cultivation except twelve acres of pasture which can be profitably farmed; price \$250.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 19** South 1/4, Section 25 and Northeast 1/4, Section 36, Township 12, Range 8, 480 acres; fine, new seven-room house with furnace, barn 32 x 50, hog house, corn crib, granary, pitless scales; all fenced outside; South 1/4, Section 25 all under cultivation and fenced outside; Northeast 1/4, Section 36, all fine bluegrass and clover pasture with wind mill and fencing around outside; this is an excellent farm for raising and feeding livestock and only a mile and three-quarters from Greenwood; price \$250.00 per acre.
- FARM NO. 21** Northwest 1/4 and Southwest 1/4, Section 29, Township 12, Range 8, 200 acres; no buildings; fenced outside; all under cultivation except fifty-five acres of beautiful hay meadow and about twenty acres of natural timber; only one-half mile from Greenwood; price \$225.00 per acre.

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